



**Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine - [www.ccr-zkr.org](http://www.ccr-zkr.org)**

**Policy officer for a European project in the fields of market and fleet (PLATINA3)**

**Fixed-term contract 15 months - Strasbourg/FRANCE**

### **The Organisation**

The Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) is an international organisation that plays a key role in the navigation of the Rhine. Its main objectives are to ensure good navigation conditions on the Rhine and to promote shipping that is safe and respectful of the environment on the waterways. It is active in technical, legal, economic, social and environmental areas. Many of the CCNR's activities now go beyond the Rhine itself and encompass European inland navigation in the broadest sense.

The CCNR is composed of five Member States (Germany, Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Switzerland) and works more and more closely with the European Commission, as well as with other River Commissions and International Organisations, along with Observer States and non-governmental organisations representing the sector.

The CCNR seeks to recruit, for its Secretariat located in Strasbourg and made up of an international team of 35 members, a Policy Officer to support the work mainly related to the IWT market and fleet areas of the PLATINA3 project under the EU research and innovation Horizon 2020 programme. The CCNR is indeed part of the international consortium implementing the PLATINA3 project ([www.platina3.eu](http://www.platina3.eu)).

### **Main tasks**

Acting in the Rhine framework and in a European and international environment, the Project Officer will support the organisation and implementation of the work mainly related to the IWT market and fleet topics covered by the PLATINA3 project. Under the direct supervision of the Administrators responsible for these areas, the Policy Officer will in particular:

- Draft thematic analyses and studies (in accordance with the Organisation's standards)
- Perform desk study of research reports, scientific articles and legal texts, analyse and summarise the main conclusions
- Contribute to and coordinate other thematic analyses and studies
- Organise and report on meetings with experts (sector, Member States, Secretariat)
- Handle proactively the e-mails and requests from PLATINA3 partners, where relevant
- Collect and process information and data (quantitative and qualitative)
- Support the Organisation for events designed to collect expert information on a given topic
- Support the work of the Administrators in the related fields
- Participate in meetings of the PLATINA3 project, represent the interests of the CCNR and provide feedback to the Administrators concerned.

He/she will take action in the following two areas of activity and subjects outlined hereafter:

- a) Regarding the PLATINA3 tasks related to the "market"
  - In the context of a report covering new technological innovations, logistical elements and marketing/communication for modal shift to IWT and decarbonisation:
    - Summarise an existing report on new markets in inland navigation and integrate its findings in the overall report
    - Perform research and interviews and translate the lessons learned fully into the overall report
    - Collect inputs from other PLATINA3 partners and integrate them in the final report.
  - In the context of a report on economic and financial obstacles to modal shift and integration of

inland navigation into logistic chains: support the organisation of a workshop, collect input from relevant CCNR Committees.

b) In the context of the PLATINA3 tasks related to the “fleet”

- Evaluation of regulatory needs to allow automation of inland navigation (collect information, draft proposals, report, organise meetings, etc)
- Evaluation of regulatory needs to ease the energy transition and the use of alternative fuels by inland vessels (collect information, draft proposals, report, organise meetings, etc)

To a lesser extent (finalisation of the report): elaboration of an implementation plan to finance the energy transition of the European fleet of inland navigation, taking into account studies realised by the CCNR and its Member States. On an ad hoc basis, he/she may also be required to carry out the tasks described above on behalf of the Administrator in charge of infrastructure issues as well as work on cross-cutting fleet, market and infrastructure issues, such as taxonomy.

## **Candidate profile**

### Education and skills

- Master's degree (MSc) in public policies, transport, logistics or naval engineering, or equivalent
- A first experience in consultancy and/or public sector is desirable
- Excellent command of English (written and oral), French, German or Dutch would be a plus
- Interest in the theme of energy transition and European policies
- Capacity for analysis and synthesis,
- Concision and precision in writing (interdisciplinary)
- Ability to communicate proactively with relevant staff of the Secretariat and PLATINA3 partners
- Ability to understand complex subjects and render/summarise
- Coordination and follow-up of projects in a multicultural environment
- Knowledge of international organisations and European projects
- Ability to work independently as well as collaboratively and cross-functionally
- High standards and rigour in terms of work, team spirit and motivation
- Diplomacy, neutrality and loyalty towards the Organisation

### Conditions and requirements

Be a national of a CCNR Member State (Germany, Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Switzerland).

The CCNR Secretariat is renowned for its special technical skills and expertise, flexibility, quality of work and service orientation. Expectations for the Project Officer are high, especially in terms of writing skills.

### **What the CCNR offers**

A fixed-term contract of 15 months. The position is based in Strasbourg at the Palais du Rhin. Occasional travel to Member States, or elsewhere in Europe, is foreseen.

The Policy Officer shall carry out his/her duties under the responsibility of the Chief Engineer and under the direct supervision of the Administrators in charge of the relevant areas of activity. Monthly salary (after tax) will depend on the level of experience and will be negotiated with the Organisation.

Candidates are kindly invited to send their application (CV and cover letter) by email, before **25 November 2021**, to the CCNR Secretariat, for the attention of the Head of Human Resources at:

[career@ccr-zkr.org](mailto:career@ccr-zkr.org)